Campaign to Restore Normal Conditions Reflected in Market Quotations.

BUTTER DROPS 13 CENTS

Trade Journals Joining in Demand for Restoration of Peace Time Methods.

Prices of grains and provisions in Chi-case continued to slide downward yes-terday, following the insistent demands by trade exchanges in this city, Chicago and elsewhere that the Government abandon its price control policy and its programme of restrictions as aplied to of the things they eat—including the commonest of essential foodstuffs—has contributed the biggest kind of a push in

closing quotations in Chicago yesteras compared with the closing prices Friday, were as follows:

January corn, bu. \$1.13\(\frac{1}{2}\) \$1.23\(\frac{1}{2}\) \$0.06
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January corn, bu. \$77 .53\(\frac{1}{2}\) \$0.14
January pork, bbl. \$5.00 \$41.00 \$1.00
January pork, bbl. \$2.00 \$23.40 .50
January pork, cwi. \$2.00 \$23.40 .50
January barley, bu. \$23\(\frac{1}{2}\) \$3.40 .50
January barley, bu. \$23\(\frac{1}{2}\) \$3.40 .60
January rye, bu. \$1.53\(\frac{1}{2}\) \$1.85 .04

A decline of more than 13 cents in the rescind the fixed price on wheat and reacting a pound yesterday, was taken as a forefunner of lower general food prices in local market circles. The drop which has been gradual daily for the last two weeks, was attributed by some dealers to more normal market conditions. Others contended that they saw the faciline evidence of cancellation.

Two Methods Are Proposed. the decline evidence of cancellation Covernment and allied orders, the effects of continued mild weather and in-creased production of butter by members of the Dairymen's League.

#### Fresh Eggs Are Cheaper.

Fresh gathered eggs were sold at wholesale yesterday at 61 cents, as against 76 cents a year ago. Cheese still remains high. Late quo-tations for domestic cheese were around cents a pound, as compared with 35 nts last December and 26 cents in January, 1918.

January, 1918.

Much emphasis was laid by handlers of foodstuffs yesterday on the fact that the descending prices simply indicate what will happen if the law of supply and demand is allowed to work in the case of all commodities without the handicaps of governmental restrictions. This is the way one Produce Exchange man put it: "We will assume all these Government bureaus were essential for the conduct of the war, but now that the war is over, in fact if not in theory, the tendency of the Government to retain these bureaus is a move toward peternaitsm and bureaucracy. This fight we are making is not only against the high cost of living, maintained by artidal Government methods, but it is a ight against paternalism and bureau-

Trade papers are beginning to deal in plainest kind of English with the which are strangling business and are making existence hard for the consum-ing public. So far as can be learned none has gone on record as asserting that "war time prices" must be main-tained in times of peace.

Trade Papers Demand Action. All of the trade journals apparently are agreed that there must be action that will restore business to a normal sis. The only question which is wor-ing folks is the manner in which the adjustments may be worked out with he least possible harm to everybody.

"Recently there has been conspicuous growth and spread of aversion toward the high cost of living. While the war iled good citizens generally bore heavy burdens of high cost with he heavy burdens of high cost with commendable patience, many paying out their few dollars without noticeable disnient; but now the war has stopped, has become entirely different. Knowng that war invariably forces prices up they did not complain loudly, but on the other hand they feel equally sure that peace must spell lower cost."

#### WIDEN CHANNEL, SAYS **HULBERT TO BAKER**

Leviathan's Grounding Results in Caustic Letter.

Following his policy of losing no ance to drive home the fact that many thinks are needed to develop the port quately the commerce here, Dock Comer Hulbert sent the following letvesterday to Secretary of War

sgain attention is directed to the juste width of the main channe Tompkinsville and Robbins Reef. as I have repeatedly pointed out, foot fairway has a width of 100 feet and 372 feet respectively. sted in the annual rivers and act spproved August 8, 1917. for a channel 49 feet deep and

necessity for undertaking this evidenced by the fact that the upon her outward trip yesaground and had to be pulled

literature is being disseminated Federal Government urging the ment of returning soldiers by employers, while at the same e Federal Government seems to reging a policy of retrenchment of employees who did their bit ne and whose unemployment will unusual hardships, as in n they are members of the famdiers or sailors.

does not the Government under ese great public works, includ e widening and deepening of the prosperity and avoid the calamity

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and walst industry in New
general go back to work to-morrow
general go 2,000 of the striking girls of and waist industry in New

# TREND DOWNWARD CUTS FLOUR OUTPUT

Uncertainty About Wheat Threatens a Serious Shortage of Bread.

OTHER STAPLES BOOSTED

Government's Action Said to Hamper Seriously Foreign Trade of U. S.

Special Desputch to THE BUN. WASHIINGTON, Jan. 25.—Protracted delay in the determination of a definite policy with respect to the fixed price on wheat may result in a serious shortgrains, provisions, &c. The nationwide age of wheat flour and real suffering in this country, according to grain dealers done at once which will cut the cost who are there to urge prompt action. age of wheat flour and real suffering in Already it is declared because of the

uncertainty as to what measures the ding prices down toward normal Government will adopt to restore normal trading conditions in wheat, and at the same time make good obligations to the farmer, millers are refusing to purchase wheat for fear of buying at the market's top and standing a loss of more than \$1 a bushel through a sudden restoration of the world market price.

While the grain exchange men, producers and Food Administration offiwholesale price of creamery butter, or clais seem in agreement on the general from 70 cents on January 11 to 5642 proposition that the Government should cents a pound yesterday, was taken as rescind the fixed price on wheat and re-

Two Methods Are Proposed. Two methods are being discussed.

It is proposed:
First—That Congress create a new Governmental agency to purchase wheat stocks direct from the farmer at the fixed price of \$2.26 a bushel and sell for foreign or domestic consumption at the world market price, or,

Second—That the farmers turn their wheat into normal channels of competitive trade at the world market price and call upon the Government for reimbursement from a fund to be created for that purpose.

The according proposeltion is being

The second proposition is being strongly urged by Produce Exchange men as the safest and most effective. It is pointed out that with a Governmental agency doing the buying and selling there will be lacking the keen competiion necessary to meet the opening up of other world markets-Argentina, Brazil, India and Australia—which were closed because of lack of tonnage during the

Already our hold on the foreign trade as been materially hampered, they say, by the desire of this Government to hold its wheat stocks for the Government price, while Australia, India and South America are unloading their backed up stocks at prices more than, a dollar a bushel under our fixed price.

Far From Economical Move. Tactics like this, in order to save the

Government a part of the loss from the fixed price at the sacrifice of our hold on foreign markets, is "saving at the on foreign markets, is "saving at the spigot and leaking at the bung."

Produce men are firmly convinced that the fixed price on wheat is the keystone in the arch of the high cost of living. With the certainty of \$2.26 a bushel for the 1919 crop shead of them, they say, farmers are increasing their acreage of them.

wheat out of all proportion to the acre-age in other grains, with the result that these coarser grains are scarce and commensurately high, as is everything they go into.

The high price of wheat to the cone least possible harm to everybody, sumer, they point out, means a high price Under the caption "Growing Antagon-for all poultry products, while the Government regulations as to wheat milling." producing a minimum of bran and sim-ilar dairy feeds, are reflected in higher

costs of dairy products.

A prompt return to a world market price for wheat with this country's stocks. flowing through the normal business channels, the produce men say, would promise more toward a return to normal prices than any other economic move.

DREADNOUGHTS AGAIN READY. New York, Texas and Wyoming

Have Been Overhauled.

The battleships New York, Texas and Wyoming are ready to leave the New York Navy Yard, where they have been ndergoing repairs and an overhauling for the last month. They are expected to take part in the epring training trip with Admiral Mayo's fleet. The Missie-

sippi after a thorough overhauling left the navy yard a few days ago. On all these ships the hulls have been scraped, the machinery gone over and replaced and all the guns cleaned. The fire control system also had received much attention during the time the ships were in the yard.

DEATH HOUSE GETS 3 MORE. Arrivals Make Record Extending

Over Five Years. Sing Sing death house received its largest batch of new arrivals in five years when Sheriff James Donnelly of The Bronx and several deputies turned three murderers over to the prison at-

tendants yesterday.

The new death house "rookies" are Joseph Milano, James, alias "Bull" Cassidy, and Charles McLaughlin, convicted of murdering Otto Fiala, a ticket agent, at the Intervale avenue subway station in The Bronx. Their arrival makes eleven convicted murderers in the condemned cells.

AGREEMENT NEAR ON WAR REVENUE BILL

End of Dispute Among Conferees Predicted.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Conferees on the war revenue bill still were disagreed to-day on several important questions, although an ultimate agreement on the bill was predicted by both Senate and House managers. Still in dispute are House managers. Still in dispute are war excess profits, estate inheritance, oil and second class postage rates and a few other minor differences. Regarding the dispute over second class postage rates several Senators predicted to-day that ultimately the Senate provision resulting existing zone rates would be

crease in the Senate schedule for 1919 war excess profits, while the Senate managers are equally insistent upon the Senate amendment substituting inheritance to-day between Preside Senate amendment substituting inheritance for the House estate taxes. On the oil schedule the House managers are holding out strongly against the Senate bout 100 members and to employ about the complete the House managers are equally insistent upon the Senate amendment substituting inheritance for the House managers are holding out strongly against the Senate bout 100 members and to employ about the senate of the senate

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